BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE

DECISION TO APPROVE A LARGE

MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN

FOR MOUNTAIN VALLEY STONE, INC.'S

BROWNS CANYON MINE

SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE

DECISION TO APPROVE

NO. M/043/019

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 5 EAST, SLBM, SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve the Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for Mountain Valley Stone, Inc.'s Brown's Canyon Mine. Mining activities will affect portions of the following area: SW1/4 of Section 20, Township 1 South, Range 5 East, SLBM, Summit County, Utah.

Mountain Valley Stone, Inc. has submitted a permit application to expand an existing small mining project to a large mining operation. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 17.45 acres of private land.

During Operations:

Stone is dug from the quarry with a trackhoe. It is split by hand, cut to specific sizes with a guillotine, or tumbled, and then stacked on pallets for shipping. Waste rock material is added to the existing dumps. Occasionally, explosives will be used to loosen the rock. Explosives are kept in an explosives magazine. Topsoil will be salvaged and placed in stockpiles for final reclamation. Topsoil stockpiles will be seeded and signed to protect them from erosion and further impacts. Fuel for equipment will be stored onsite in an aboveground storage tank with secondary containment to control any potential spills.

After Operations:

All facilities and structures will be removed and all disturbed areas will be reclaimed. Trash and debris will be hauled to the county landfill. Waste dumps will be graded to a 3h:1v slope. Highwalls will be worked to maintain a stable 45-degree slope. Overburden materials will be used to reduce highwall slopes. Topsoil will be replaced to a 6-inch depth. Composted manure will be applied to all regraded areas, at rates of 5-tons/acre on areas receiving topsoil, and 10

tons/acre on overburden materials that do not receive topsoil. All areas will be ripped to a minimum depth of 1 foot. Compacted surfaces such as roads will be ripped to a 2-foot depth. The entire site will be seeded with an approved seed mix, designed to meet the post mining land use of grazing and wildlife habitat.

The person representing the company is Mr. Robert Hicken; Phone (435) 654-0120. Mountain Valley Stone, Inc. is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 19th day of April, 2002

STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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Director

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Decision to Approve the Large Mining Notice of Intention for Mountain Valley Stone, Inc.'s Brown's Canyon Mine project, M/043/019 to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the 19 day of April, 2002 to:

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